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Advisory

- As per claim 1, Applicant asserts Felsher does not teach "an authorization module (provided by an authorization server) that includes a password fingerprint unit, an environment fingerprint sampling unit and a time fingerprint sampling unit, which are set in parallel, as well as the authorization unit" (Remarks: Page 2 / Last Para). Besides, Applicant argues "it is difficult to envision how an RSA SeureID hardware token could be included in the same authorization module as the other units of the authorization units that are specified in claim 1" (Remarks: Page 3 / 1st Para). Examiner respectfully disagrees with the following rationale:
- (a) As per Applicant's arguments "it is difficult to envision, as taught by Felsher, how an RSA SeureID hardware token could be included in the same authorization module as the other "units of the authorization units that are specified in claim 1" (Remarks: Page 3 / 1st Para). Examiner respectfully disagrees because an RSA SeureID hardware token, as taught by Felsher, is used at the user / client side so that each user can be verified by the server and is not necessarily included in the authorization module which is provided at the server side, and thus it is irrelevant for the argument by Applicant according to the claim limitation as recited in claim 1.
- (b) Examiner notes an authorization module (provided by an authorization server) is merely considered as a subsystem entity that can provide access authorization to system secure data /files according to the system access rules and Felsher teaches an authorization server, according to the system access rules, providing the authentication units including a password fingerprint unit and a timed-password sampling and verification unit (see Felsher: Para [0354] and Para [0263]) as well as including an unique computer system fingerprint information sampling and verification unit, which is

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qualified as an environment fingerprint sampling and verification unit (see Felsher: Para [0087] / Last sentence and Para [0263]).

- (c) Examiner notes Hillhouse (U.S. Patent 6,052,468), as being incorporated by references (see Felsher, Para [0161]), teaches the authentication system can provide a parallel-setup of a plurality of authentication methods to fulfill the verifications (Hillhouse: Column 7 line 46 – 52, Column 5 Line 42 – 43, Column 8 Line 23 – 26 / 46 – 65, Column 1 Line 40 – 45 and Column 5 Line 35 – 40).

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